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SUBJECT: ETHIOPIAN DIPLOMAT COMMENTS ON EGYPTIAN MEDIATION EFFORTS
ON TFAI

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ETHIOPIAN EMBASSY POLOFF TOLD EMBOFF FEBRUARY 26 THAT
ETHIOPIANS CURRENTLY REGARDING EGYPTIAN MEDIATION EFFORTS
BETWEEN FRENCH AND SAMOLIS OVER TFAI QUESTION WITH CERTAIN
MISGIVINGS. ETHIOPIANS FEEL THAT EGYPTIANS HAVE DEALT THEM
OUT OF DISCUSSIONS IN CAIRO (AND ARE UNABLE TO EXPLAIN WHY
THEY HAVE BEEN THUS EXCLUDED). ETHIOPIAN EMBASSY ALSO UNCLEAR
WHETHER EGYPTIAN MEDIATION EFFORT MERELY TO CLEAR UP MISUNDER-
STANDINGS CREATED BY RECENT LOYOTA INCIDENT ON TFAI-SOMALI BORDER
OR WHETHER EGYPTIAN MEDIATION IN FACT TO DEAL WITH MORE
SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES, SUCH AS ARRANGEMENTS FOR UPCOMING REFERENDUM
AMONG TFAI INHABITANTS CONCERNING FUTURE OF ENCLAVE. ETHIOPIANS DO
NOT WANT TO INTERFERE IN PURELY FRANCO-SOMALI DISCUSSIONS OVER
RECENT BORDER INCIDENT, YET HAVE SUSPICION THAT
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EGYPTIANS PLAN MORE SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS AFTER

RETURN OF DEPPRIMIN/FONMIN FAHMY FROM CURRENT TRIP
TO RABIAN PENISULA AND DO NOT UNDERSTAND EGYPTIAN
RELUCTANCE TO INCLUDE EMPG EMABASSY CAIRO IN TFAI DISCUSSIONS.
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